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APPLICANTS: STUART MORGAN ET AL. ART UNIT: 3753

SERIAL NO.: 10/599,439 EXAMINER: JOHN C. FOX

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PETITION UNDER RULE 136(a) FOR A ONE-MONTH EXTENSION

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Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby petition, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), for a one-month extension, until Monday, August 17, 2009, in which to file a *Request for Continued Examination* and *Amendment in Response to the Final Office Action* to the final Office Action, dated April 16, 2009, for the above-identified patent application. The shortened

statutory period for response expired on July 16, 2009. The requisite fee of \$65.00 (small entity) is being concurrently remitted via EFT.

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